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REMARKS

Claims 14-17 and 31-39 are pending under examination. The only outstanding rejection in the Final Office Action mailed October 4, 2006, is a nonstatutory double patenting rejection, where the Examiner contended that the pending claims are unpatentable over the

claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,410,321. In response, a terminal disclaimer disclaiming the patent

term beyond that of U.S. Patent No. 6,410,321 is hereby submitted.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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